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- B-2 1. Prior to 20 August 1951, the Artillerie Kaserne on August Rebel Strasse, Frankfurt/Oder, quartered about 800 troops, who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Soldiers were seen practicing with some 76.2-mm AA guns on the north side of the billeting area and about 250 troops received rifle drill in the barracks yard. A telephone section with 2 field telephones and 2 wire reels was seen leaving the billeting area. 25X1C

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2. On 20 August, the Buelow Kaserne at the intersection of Fuerstenwalder Strasse and Post Strasse was occupied by only a rear unit of about 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank and artillery insignia. (2)

3. The northeastern section of the Michhorn Kaserne on Luellroser Landstrasse was occupied by some Russian women. Some of the subsidiary buildings there were still used for the storage of furniture belonging to the Kech. The barracks section was guarded by soldiers who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets and came from the southwestern section of the installation. This section quartered 900 to 1,000 troops, mostly recruits, who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. Intensive training activity in the billeting area of Markendorfer Feld and at the Kiesberge was noticed. 25X1C

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4. The Hindenburg Kaserne was occupied by only a rear detail of about 40 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Restoration work there had been discontinued. (2)

5. About 100 to 200 officers of all branches of service were observed in the Hofbauer Kaserne on Birnbaumsmuehl Strasse and Schubert Strasse at all times until 20 August. About 40 officers of various branches of service went to the installation on 16 August. In addition, the installation quartered a detail of about 20 men with red-bordered black epaulets who were seen repairing trucks. Some buildings of the installation were used for the storage of Kech furniture. (4)

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6. The Horn Kaserne on Muhlen Strasse quartered a rear unit of about 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. [REDACTED] the installation on 20 August. 25X1C

7. Prior to 20 August, the Ziethen Kaserne on Copernicus Strasse quartered only a rear unit of about 50 men who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia. [REDACTED] in the billeting area. (2) 25X1C

8. The offices of the Soviet komendantura were located opposite the former German labor office on Puschkin Strasse. About 80 soldiers with black-bordered crimson and red-bordered black epaulets, who were on the staff of the komendantura, were billeted in the labor office. [REDACTED] the komendantura. (5) 25X1C 25X1C

9. No changes in the disposition of the troops at Frankfurt/Oder military post were observed until 31 July. Troops engaged in training were seen only in the Artillery Kaserne and the Eichhorn Kaserne.

10. On 20 and 23 August, [REDACTED] 13 and 24 Russian women respectively at the railroad station [REDACTED] Eichhorn Kaserne. Groups of up to 14 soldiers were seen receiving infantry training at the Eichhorn Kaserne. Eight officers and 140 FM were once assembled there for a roll call. (3) 25X1C 25X1C

11. Fourteen artillery pieces were parked at the previous place in the billeting area of the Artillerie Kaserne on 18 August. Soldiers were seen practicing with some of the guns. From 120 to 130 soldiers cleaned all of the guns on 18 August, while 70 to 80 soldiers serviced 10 trucks, and about 40 soldiers practiced close-order drill in the barracks yard. [REDACTED] (1) 25X1C 25X1C

12. The troops from the Hindenburg Kaserne, the Hofbauer Kaserne, the Buelow Kaserne, the Horn Kaserne and the Ziethen Kaserne were away from their posts prior to 22 August.

13. No changes in the occupation of the barracks installations in Frankfurt/Oder were noticed until 31 August. (2)

25X1A [REDACTED] Comments.

- 25X1C (1) [REDACTED] confirm components of the unidentified AAA division, possibly the 32d as being quartered in the Artillerie Kaserne. The information regarding the occupation of the billeting area indicates no changes over the previous reports by the same sources. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

- (2) The information indicates that the components of the 7th Gds Hecz Div from the barracks installations were still at the Lieberose troop training grounds on 31 August 1951. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

- (3) The southwestern section of the Eichhorn Kaserne still quartered a komendantura unit. See [REDACTED] mentioned in the present report belong to the GOFK. The northeastern section of the Eichhorn Kaserne is used for the storage of Kech furniture and as transient quarters for military personnel. For a comment on the arrival of Russian women, see [REDACTED] 25X1C 25X1A

- (4) The information confirms the Hofbauer Kaserne as being a transient billet for officers. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

- (5) The information on the komendantura agrees with the last report by the same source. See [REDACTED] 25X1A

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